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SUBJECT: MARCOS STATE VISIT TO JAPAN; REPARATIONS SCANDAL

REF: A. MANILA 168, B. TOKYO 474

1. MOFA 2ND SOUTHEAST ASIA DIVDIR SAKUTARO TANINO TOLD EMBOFF JANUARY 17 THAT WORKING LEVEL NEAR CONSENSUS ON INVITATION TO PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT MARCOS TO MAKE STATE VISIT TO JAPAN SOMETIME IN LATE-APRIL TO MID-MAY PERIOD. MARCOS' DESIRE TO MAKE STATE VISIT, AS "DIPLOMATIC COURTESY RETURNING VISITS OF FORMER PM'S SATO AND TANAKA," WELL UNDERSTOOD HERE. OBSTACLES HAVE BEEN, FIRST, JAPANESE RULE THAT EACH HEAD OF STATE ENTITLED TO ONLY ONE STATE VISIT TO JAPAN, AND SECOND, PROBLEM OF MESHING VISIT WITH COMINGS AND GOINGS OF OTHER BIP'S.
 2. FIRST DIFFICULTY SEEMS OVERCOME BY PROSPECT OF IMPERIAL HOUSEHOLD AGENCY'S AGREEMENT TO REVISION OF RULE, TO ALLOW ONE STATE VISIT IN ANY TEN-YEAR PERIOD BY SAME INDIVIDUAL (MARCOS LAST VISITED MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO). TIMING OF VISIT WILL BE INFLUENCED BY DATES OF PM'S
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TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON AND TO ECONOMIC SUMMIT, SHOULD IT OCCUR, AND BY PROSPECTIVE STATE VISIT OF BULGARIAN PREMIER TODOR ZHIVKOV LATE IN MAY.

3. TANINO INTIMATED THAT, WITH AGREEMENT TO POSTPONE EXPIRATION OF JAPAN-PHILIPPINES FCN TREATY IN HAND, THERE WOULD BE NO MAJOR BILATERAL ISSUES TO

DISCUSS WITH MARCOS. HE EXPECTED VISIT THEREFORE
TO BE MAINLY CEREMONY.

4. EMBOFF ASKED ABOUT ALLEGED REPARATIONS SCANDAL
(REFTELS). TANINO DID NOT DISPARAGE STORY, BUT
MERELY DISCLAIMED POSSIBILITY OF AMBASSADOR
BENEDICTO'S HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN TRANSACTION.
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